

# Daily Eagle

## AMONG THE ALPS.

A TRIP THROUGH THE SIMPLON PASS IN JUNE.

**Avalanches and Whirlwinds of Snow.**  
The Charns of the Cascades and Waterfalls—How Cascades are Manufactured in the Dry Season.

We found the remains of a great snow drift near the summit of the Simplon pass; the crest of the deep rose above the top of our carriage. This was a surprise, but not disagreeable. On the Italian, or south side of the Alps the weather had been quite warm and even overcast. Although the sky was overcast and rain fell at intervals I became unpleasantly heated whenever I walked to the horses and back to the carriage. But the moment we began to descend from the extreme height of over 6,500 feet a cold wind struck us in front and flank. Rugs and shawls which had been carefully strapped up were unbound and put to use. The road was as good as when Napoleon made it, and the horses were fresh from a night's rest at the half-way inn of Ivella. The carriage rattled down the steep grade, the driver cracking his whip merrily and making echoes in the deep and narrow gorges. We knew that a few hours of this pace would bring us to Brig and warmth. I never before realized the full difference between a northern and a southern aspect. As we made the gradual ascent from Domodossola snow had been occasionally seen, but always far above us. It filled crevices at the height of 7,000 feet overgrown the very peaks.

**DANGERS FROM AVALANCHES.**  
But when we passed the little village of Simplon and entered the Hospice there was snow in patches far below us. And from the road upward it still covered large tracts, and at times threatened avalanches. These, however, are of rare occurrence on the Simplon in the first week of June. Rule crosses mark the spots where travelers had been swept into the profound gulf which yawned on our left. At one place, the driver said, four men had been carried to that awful but instant death. An enduring crucifix of bronze had been firmly set in a stone socket, just where they were overtaken. This is the part of the road where so many "refuges" have been provided. Those places of shelter, as well as the more comfortable Hospices, have saved the lives of many persons crossing the pass in the fall, winter and spring. The tempests, or whirlwinds of snow, is a cause of more deaths than avalanches in the high Alps. They are bitterly cold and blinding, and in a few minutes reduce mounds of snow through which horses and men can hardly make their way. We were glad to know that these icy plagues were out of season at the time of our crossing.

The waterfalls—among the greatest charms of the Simplon pass—were at their best. The sun had been heavy for some days, and the sun was melting the snow in all but its highest lodgments. The white peaks of mountains, ranging from 9,000 to 11,000 feet above the sea, were sublime and beautiful. One never tires of gazing at them, and using some more familiar mountain at home as a sort of measuring scale in order to form a better idea of their height. American eyes are in the habit of regarding the impressions of Washington, Mansfield, Greylock or the Catskills for this purpose. In the Alps, however, this plan does not help us much, for some of the most majestic of the range have their bases at a height of 5,000 feet to begin with, and never seem to be as high by never descending as they really are. A mountain of much less stature would look just as towering springing from a foundation nearer the sea level.

**BEAUTIES OF THE WATERFALLS.**  
But when no great mountains are in sight then one's spirit is refreshed by the waterfalls. I never before conceived the widely different forms which falling water could assume. We passed hundreds of cascades between Domodossola and Brig, and no two were alike. They resembled each other as little in shape as in size. Some were simple mill streams. They came rushing down the mountains in great volume to turn the wheels. But they found no corn to grind or logs to saw. They were only conducted off through culverts beneath the roadbed, where they could do little harm nor good. What might be called lace patterns were innumerable. They were flat waterfalls, thin and very wide, slipping gently over smooth rocks of easy slopes. Wavy bands of lines made the breadth of these falls look in the distance exactly like snow-white lace. Brief veils of the most exquisite texture were common. Some kept their symmetry in leaps of at least 500 feet. There were falls which reminded one of the dropping of brilliant from fireworks high in the air. Each flashing cascade seemed to preserve its unity as it fell over the precipice, and to come down slowly till broken up by some jutting rock below.

A fall that always pleased us was one that broke into a powerful vapor and sparkled in the sunshine like a cascade of diamonds. This is the sort of fall that Swiss innkeepers are said to manufacture in the dry season. It only needs a small brook with a few falls of water. He is out of sight on the heights and turns on the fall when he sees a carriage coming through the pass. There were too many falls of this kind to make us question their genuineness. Another style that never tired came down in numerous short leaps. The effect was that of stars made of silver. Sometimes they were solid—as one might say—and made so little spray that they seemed to be shining steps leading from the gloomy depths of the ravine to the white and serene land above.—Switzerland Cor. Journal of Commerce.

### A Ghastly Joke in Pantomime.

One one occasion a wag played a too successful trick on Rich (the founder of English pantomime) and his demons. In one of his earliest pantomimes at Lincoln's Inn Fields he introduced a dance of infernals with twelve performers, got up in a style outwitting Milton. They were dressed in black and red of the most lurid hues. Their eyes were of fire and snaky locks fell over their shoulders. An actor wishing to frighten them got a spare dress, and making himself a few degrees more demoniac-looking than the regular demons, he one night slipped in among them. They soon perceived that there was a devil too many, and there could only be one thought as to where he had come from.

The mock demons rushed from the stage, and some of them did not wait to throw off their dresses, but fled through the streets backward, spreading the alarm that something terrible had happened. The panic spread to the audience, which dispersed in wild confusion, and the event was soon ornamented with all the imaginative details that fear, and, in some cases, mischief, could suggest. The demon's appearance was painted in the most appalling colors, and many were prepared to take oath that they had seen him fly through the roof. Thousands of people surrounded the theatre next day, and wags pointed out to them the bit of the wall that the devil had knocked down with a swish of his tail, and which had been repaired during the night. The manager published an explanation after explanation of the practical joke, but the most of the people adhered to their own version of it.—Times.

### Honorary Degree for an Actor.

The strong "church" influence brought to bear on the council alone prevented the University of Oxford from conferring its honorary degree on Mr. Irving. The discussion on the subject were of an unusually lively description, as Mr. Irving's friends made a good fight for the great tragedian.

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